

March 28, 2003

Commissioner John L. Geesman, Presiding Member
Commissioner James D. Boyd, Associate Member
Renewables Committee
California Energy Commission
Docket Office -- Docket No. 03-RPS-1078
1516 Ninth Street, MS-4
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512

Dear Commissioners Geesman and Boyd:

San Diego Gas and Electric Company appreciates the recent opportunity to participate in the California Energy Commission's (CEC) collaborative workshop with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) on developing rules to implement the state's Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS). Although we provided public comments during the workshop, we would like to take this opportunity to provide our brief comments in writing.

San Diego Gas and Electric would encourage the CEC, in coordination with the CPUC as appropriate, to develop as broad an interpretation as possible on the issue of eligibility of out-of-state renewable resources to meet the RPS. As a result, this would promote out-of-state purchases of renewable energy to the benefit of both buyers and sellers. Broadening the number of sellers of renewables generation that can sell into the California market expands the potential for purchases at prices beneficial to California's ratepayers, and promotes greater diversity of resources.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to participate in the RPS implementation workshop. We look forward to working with the CEC on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Bernie Orozco

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On behalf of San Diego Gas and Electric Company

Commissioner William J. Keese, Chair
Commissioner Robert Pernell
Commissioner Arthur Rosenfeld